lation to the acts of Congress usually denominated The Tariff Laws, passed avowedly for the protection of domestic manufactures, the acts of congress for internal improvement, and so forth.

On motion by Mr. Stewart of Anne Arundel, Mr. King was excused from further service as a member of the joint committee on engrossed bills; and Mr. Duvall was appointed by the speaker to supply the vacancy thereby occasioned.

Ordered. That the clerk do acquaint the senate therewith.

The door-keeper having returned, reported, that in obedience to orders, he had notified the absent members, remaining in the

city, to attend the house.

The question on the motion of Mr Hawkins, was then propounded, viz. Will the house now resume the consideration of the unfinished business of yesterday evening, in relation to the message submitted yesterday morning, by Mr. Townsend, *proposing, with the concurrence of the senate, to close the present session of the legislature to-day; and to appoint a joint committee to wait on his excellency the governor, and request his attendance in the senate chamber this evening, (as amended.) to sign and seal such laws as may be ready for his signature?

And it was resolved in the affirmative.

The said message was then read as amended yesterday evening. When,

Mr. M'Mahon of Allegany, moved that the said message be

laid on the table. This motion was negatived.

Mr. M'Mahon of Baltimore city, proposed further to amend the said message, as follows:

After the word 'to morrow,' in the first paragraph of the

message, insert these words, 'evening at 12 o'clock.'

And the question thereon being taken, was determined in the negative.

Mr. M'Mahon of Baltimore city, then proposed, further to a-

mend the said message as follows:

Strike out the word, 'to morrow,' in the first paragraph of the message, and in lieu thereof, insert these words 'Saturday at 10 o'clock;'

And the question thereon, being taken, was resolved in the

On motion by Mr. M'Mahon of Baltimore city, the said message was further amended, by striking out the three last words of the first paragraph, (on that day,') and inserting, in lieu

thereof, these words, 'at that time.'

On motion by Mr. Phelps, the date of the message was then changed from the 11th to the 12th and the word 'to-morrow,' (inserted yesterday evening in place of the word 'this,') immediately antecedent to the word 'evening,' in the second paragraph of said message, was erased, and the word 'this,' restored/to its original place; and also the words, 'at 7 o'clock,' were inserted immediately after the said word 'evening.'

The blank in the third paragraph of the said message was